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### **10.36.010 Official map.**

- (a) The Grant County Official Addressing Map (hereinafter referred to as official map) shall divide Grant County into four quadrants: (1) Northwest (NW); (2) Northeast (NE); (3) Southeast (SE); (4) Southwest (SW).
- (b) The official map shall impose upon Grant County a numerical grid as set forth within such official map with the numbering system being one thousand numbers per mile, five hundred on each side of the road with even numbers being assigned to the west and north sides, odd numbers assigned to the east and south sides of the road.
- (c) The official map is adopted as part of this chapter and incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- (d) The official address map shall be maintained in the Grant County department of emergency management with copies on file in the offices of the Grant County department of emergency management.

(Res. and Ord. 85-143-CC § 1, 1985).

(Ord. No. 10-056-CC, § 1, 7-26-2010)

### **10.36.020 Definitions.**

"Building" shall mean any structure used or intended for supporting or sheltering any use or occupancy.

"Department" means the Grant County department of emergency management.

"Improved property" means property with structures requiring addresses.

"Way-of-travel" means a roadway of whatever sort, including, but not limited to, avenues, boulevards, circles, courts, drives, lanes, loops, places, roads, streets, and ways, which is capable of carrying vehicular traffic.

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"Uniform address marker", means a uniform marker, five-inch by twelve-[inch] marker with reflective blue background and white reflective numerals.

(Res. and Ord. 85-143-CC § 2, 1985).

(Ord. No. 10-056-CC, § 1, 7-26-2010)

#### **10.36.030 Designation of ways-of-travel.**

- (a) Way-of-travel running generally or predominantly north and south shall be suffixed with the abbreviated name of the quadrant in which they are situated.
- (b) Ways-of-travel running generally or predominantly east and west shall be prefixed with the abbreviated name of the quadrant in which they are situated.
- (c) Circles, courts, lanes and loops shall be prefixed or suffixed with the abbreviated name of the quadrant of the way-of-travel from which circle, court, lane or loop originates.
- (d) County roads shall be designated numerically/alphabetically to the numerically/alphabetically grid set forth in the official map.
- (e) Avenues, boulevards, drives, lanes, places, and roads shall be designated by with the grid system designation or by special resolution name or names in a plat subdivision.
- (f) Circles, courts, and loops shall be designated by the numerical or name designation of the way-of-travel from which such circle, court, or loop originates.
- (g) Private drives, lanes, etc. serving more than one dwelling shall be designated by the numerical designation determined by the exact distance from the numerical or alphabetical grid location (i.e. a private drive located one half mile between Co. Rd. P N.W. and Q N.W. would be designated P.5 N.W.)
- (h) The designations of ways-of-travel existing prior to the adoption of this ordinance need not be changed to conform to the above requirements unless, in the opinion of the department, such spirit of this chapter or to reduce or eliminate potential confusion.

(Res. and Ord. 85-143-CC § 3, 1985).

(Ord. No. 10-056-CC, § 1, 7-26-2010)

#### **10.36.040 Numerical designation of buildings and real property.**

- (a) Buildings and unimproved real property when required to be designated by this ordinance, shall be designated numerically. The first numerals of such designation shall consist of numerical or alphabetical number or letter as shown by the official map in which the building or unimproved real property is situated.
- (b) All addresses in Grant County shall be based on an increase of one thousand numbers to the mile, five hundred on each side of the road, for each mile away from the point of beginning, division and baseline roads.

For measurement purposes in determining the last three numbers of the numerical designation for the one thousand numbers to the mile, the location of the main entrance to the property on which the building or unimproved real property is situated shall be used.

- (c) Except as provided below, even numerical designations shall be assigned to the north and west sides of ways-of-travel and odd numerical designations shall be assigned to the south and east sides of way-of-travel in all quadrants. The geographic directions of a way-of-travel shall be determined by

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observing its overall length and noting its general or predominant direction. When possible, even and odd numerical designations shall be assigned consecutively and opposite one another.

- (d) Buildings and unimproved real property situated in a circle, court, or loop shall be numbered consecutively beginning at the point of origin and proceeding progressively around such circles, court, or loop.
- (e) Buildings with multiple occupant or habitable units shall receive one numerical designation. Individual units shall be designated by suffixed lot numbers, apartment numbers, etc.

(Res. and Ord. 85-143-CC § 4, 1985).

(Ord. No. 10-056-CC, § 1, 7-26-2010)

#### **10.36.050 Denoting ways-of-travel.**

All new or replaced signs denoting ways-of-travel shall display the name, alphabetical or numerical designation of the way-of-travel, the quadrant designation, and the grid number in conformance with this chapter.

(Res. and Ord. 85-143-CC § 5, 1985).

(Ord. No. 10-056-CC, § 1, 7-26-2010)

#### **10.36.060 Powers and duties of the department.**

- (a) The department is authorized and empowered to assign and/or change numerical designations of buildings and unimproved property.
- (b) The department is authorized and empowered to assign and/or change the designation of ways-of-travel.
- (c) When necessary to promote the intent and spirit of the ordinance or to reduce or eliminate potential confusion, the department is authorized and empowered to assign and or require numerical designations of buildings and unimproved real property and names or numerical designations of ways-of-travel in a manner other than as specified in Sections 10.36.030 through 10.36.050
- (d) The department is authorized and empowered to promulgate reasonable rules and regulations to implement and affect this chapter and to insure the proper operations of the addressing and grid system.
- (e) Department shall maintain maps with numerical designations of buildings or structures on improved real property and a Master Street Address Guide (MSAG) which catalogues road names and address ranges.
- (f) Upon request the department shall assign numerical designations for buildings and unimproved real property.

(Res. and Ord. 85-143-CC § 6, 1985).

(Ord. No. 10-056-CC, § 1, 7-26-2010)

#### **10.36.070 Display of designations.**

- (a) The owner, occupant, tenant, lessee or any other person or entity having an interest in any building or structure which is habitable or tenant able for residential, commercial, business, storage, or other purpose shall distinctly display the numerical designation assigned to each building by the department.

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- (b) Within rural areas of Grant County a uniform county address marker shall be used to mark the access way from a county road to the building or structure being served by the address. This marker shall be a [five-inch by twelve-inch] sign with a reflective blue background and reflective white numbers. The placement shall be on the property, not the road right-of-way. The height of the marker shall be not less than four feet and not greater than five feet from the grade of the access road. Placement on property shall be not more than three feet off the access road, and sign is parallel to the road accessed, with the numbers facing the road.
- (c) Rural residents and business are required to use the uniform marker where the building is more than one hundred feet from the county road, and/or when the visibility of the four-inch high with a minimum stroke width of one-half-inch numbers on the building is blocked or obscured by any obstruction. Long access or driveways, where a turn in the road direction occurs shall be marked at each turn in the road direction. Access or driveways are allowed to be marked as well as the buildings at any time. Therefore assuring the law enforcement, fire and emergency medical services will be able to locate the building in the time of emergency.
- (d) Areas within the county which are developed in an urban style with close proximity of the roads or streets to the building shall be marked as follows: Addresses marked on the buildings shall be marked with numbers not less than four inches in height with a minimum stroke width of one-half-inch and shall have a contrasting color to the background they are placed on. Example: white on dark colors, dark on light colors.

Addresses on buildings shall not be the primary address marker when the building is more than one hundred feet from the county road or when visibility is blocked or obstructed from the county road. In these cases the road access onto the property will be marked with a uniform address marker described above (subsection (c)) as the property's owners primary address marker.

Display of numerical designations shall be required within 15 days of notification or before occupancy of a new residence or building.

(Res. and Ord. 85-143-CC § 7, 1985).

(Ord. No. 10-056-CC, § 1, 7-26-2010)

#### **10.36.080 Criminal penalty.**

Any person, firm, corporation or other entity that violates any portion of this chapter shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than ninety days or by fine of not more than two hundred fifty dollars or by both such fine and imprisonment.

(Res. and Ord. 85-143-CC § 8, 1985).

(Ord. No. 10-056-CC, § 1, 7-26-2010)

#### **10.36.090 Severability.**

In the event that any portion of this chapter is held invalid to any person or circumstance, the remainder of this chapter or its application to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected.

(Res. and Ord. 85-143-CC § 9, 1985).

(Ord. No. 10-056-CC, § 1, 7-26-2010)